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May 14, 2013

Department of Natural Resources
Attn: Nelson Velázquez Reyes
PO Box 366147
San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936

Re: Cabo Rojo Groundwater Contamination Site, Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico
Monitoring Well Installation Permit

Dear Mr. Velázquez:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is conducting a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study ("RI/FS") related to the Cabo Rojo Groundwater Contamination Site ("Site") in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-9675, also known as the federal "Superfund" law.

On March 10, 2011, the Site was placed on the National Priorities List, established under Section 105(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9605(a), to prioritize known "releases or threatened releases" of hazardous substances. EPA is currently performing the field investigation for the RI/FS to determine the nature and extent of the groundwater contamination at the Site and to determine the nature of the remedial action may be needed to address the contamination. RI/FS activities will include installation of monitoring wells and soil, groundwater, surface water, and sediment sampling. It is currently anticipated that monitoring well installation of shallow overburden wells will begin during the week of May 20, 2013.

This letter seeks your cooperation in providing monitoring well permit equivalencies to EPA for up to 14 overburden wells in the locations shown on the attached figures. This also serves as an authorization to CDM Smith's representative, Frances Delano, to submit and follow up on this request.

If you have any questions regarding this matter or the activities that will be conducted or you would like to discuss this matter with EPA, you may call me at (212) 637-4319. If there are questions of a legal nature, your attorney may contact **INSERT NAME** at (212) 637-**XXXX**. We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Denise Zeno
Remedial Project Manager

Enclosure